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COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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LEASE OF LAND TO INTERNATIONAL AMUSEMENT LIMITED
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the present status regarding the lease of land given of the International Amusement Limited (Appu Ghar) in Pragati Maidan, New Delhi;

(b) whether the Government are incurring heavy revenue loss due to the present arrangement;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon;

(d) whether the Government have floated global tender in this regard;

(e) if so the number of parties involved/ participated in floating of global tenders; and

(f) the time by which the Government are going to finalise the floating of global tender?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) The license agreement between India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO) and International Amusement Ltd. (IAL) expired or 13.11.99. ITPO has initiated eviction proceedings against IAL under Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act.

(b)&(c) As per the license agreement which was in existence till 13.11.99, the license fee for the period 14.11.98 to 13.11.99 was Rs. 35.18 lakhs. In addition, the licensee was liable to pay the license fee for shops/kiosks and hoarding sites in the premises; besides 50% of the gate collection on entry fee to Appu Ghar. The amount of annual license fee payable by International Amusement Ltd., as per license agreement which was in existence till 13.11.99 is being recovered even for the period after 13.11.99 by retaining the collection on account of entry fee to Appu Ghar. The amount of license fee by the new licensee will be known only after completion of process of fresh licensing arrangement on the basis of Notice Inviting Tender (NIT).It is therefore, not possible at this stage to quantify the revenue loss due to present arrangement vis-Ã -vis the fresh arrangement

(d) to (f) ITPO had floated a global tender inviting participation for developing and managing a state-of-the-art amusement park at Pragati Maidan. Ten parties submitted `Pre-Qualification Tender Application Form`. Out of these, 5 parties have been short-listed for the next state i.e. submission of technical and financial bids.